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SUBJ: SOUTH LEBANON: SECRETARY'S LETTER TO BOUTROS

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1. HAVE BRIEFED BOTH MY BRITISH AND FRENCH COLLEAGUES ON APPROACH WE HAVE MADE TO LEBANESE RE EXIT FROM KAWKABA IMPASSE. FRENCH AMBASSADOR ARGOD RESPONDED THAT IDEAS MENTIONED IN PARA 3.A. OF REFTTEL, I.E., DEPLOYMENT OF TWO COMPANIES IN VICINITY OF KAWKABA AND TRANSPORT OF ONE TO TIBNIN BY HELICOPTER, HAD BEEN MENTIONED TO GENERAL CUQ BY GEN. KHOURY SATURDAY MORNING. ARGOD HAD IMPRESSION IDEA ORIGINATED WITH KHOURY, BUT THIS IS NOT CLEAR. IN ANY EVENT, FACT THAT KHOURY APPARENTLY WAS WILLING TO DISCUSS IT EXPLAINS WHY ISRAELIS WERE NOT INTERESTED IN PROPOSITION WE HERE HAD ADVANCED.

2. ARGOD CALLED ME THIS MORNING TO SAY HE HAD
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SPOKEN TO BOUTROS ON MATTER, BECAUSE FRENCH WERE VERY ANXIOUS THAT LEBANESE ACCEPT SOMETHING, AND BOUTROS HAD BEEN UPSET ABOUT PARA 3.B. AND ITS MENTION OF "THE PARTIES CONCERNED". I CALLED BOUTROS AND HE WAS INDEED UPSET. HE WANTED TO KNOW WHO WERE THE PARTIES IN QUESTION AND HOW LEBANESE COULD NEGOTIATE HADDAD'S STATUS WITH ANYBODY? HE FEARED THE PRESENT LANGUAGE WAS UNACCEPTABLE. HE WAS

CONFERRING WITH PRESIDENT AND PRIMIN, HOWEVER, IN EFFORT
WORK OUT SOMETHING THAT MIGHT BE ACCEPTABLE. I SAID IF
HE DID NOT LIKE LANGUAGE IN QUESTION, HE SHOULD SUGGEST
SOMETHING DIFFERENT. IF HE WOULD LET US KNOW WHAT THEY
COULD ACCEPT, WE WOULD SEE WHAT WE COULD DO.

3. BOUTROS, STILL OBVIOUSLY UNHAPPY, SAID HE WOULD DISCUSS
IT WITH THE CABINET TOMORROW. WE AGREED THAT I WOULD GO TO
SEE SARKIS ON THURSDAY MORNING, AT WHICH TIME I MAY, OR
MAY NOT, GET AN ANSWER.

4. LEBANESE ARE CLEARLY DISAPPOINTED WITH WHAT WE
HAVE PRODUCED FROM ISRAELIS. DON'T KNOW WHETHER BOUTROS
REALIZES THAT RUG MAY HAVE BEEN PULLED OUT BY KHOURY.
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